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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT & TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN RE APPLICATION OF
Chih C. Lin, et al.

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EXAMINER:
Giovanna M. Collins

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GROUP ART UNIT: 3672

TITLE: **DLC Coating for Earth-Boring
Bit Bearings**

AMENDMENT

Mail Stop AF
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Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed May 17, 2005, please amend the claims of the above application as follows: